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SUBJECT: UNIROYAL A.G., AACHEN VS. KONZ COMPANIES,

BREISACHER STRASSE, FREIBURG

REF: USDOC 13441

- 1. GIVEN CIRCUMSTANCES DESCRIBED REFTEL, WE WERE DUBIOUS THAT EMBASSY COULD OR SHOULD INTERCEDE IN CASE OF UNIROYAL A.G. TO CHECK THIS IMPRESSION, EMB OFFICER CALLED UNIROYAL REPRESENTATIVE GEORGE ZANA IN AACHEN.
- 2. ZANA WAS AT A LOSS TO EXPLAIN WHY HIS HOME OFFICE HAD APPROACHED USDOC AND CONFIRMED THAT NO ASSISTANCE WAS REQUIRED FROM THE EMBASSY. HE STATED THAT KONZ KG IS GOING THROUGH NORMAL BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS. THE COURT HAS APPOINTED AN ADMINISTRATOR FOR LIQUIDATION AND UNIROYAL IS REPRESENTED ON THE CREDITORS' COMMITTEE. HE STATED THAT HIS FIRM HAS OBTAINED SATISFACTORY RESULTS UNDER GERMAN LAW WITH SIMILAR CASES IN THE PAST.
- 3. IN SUMMARY, HE ASSURED EMBOFF THAT UNIROYAL A.G. IS BEING TREATED EQUALLY WITH OTHER CREDITORS (INCLUDING SEVERAL GERMAN FIRMS). IF THE SITUATION SHOULD CHANGE, WHICH HE DOUBTS, HE WILL CONTACT THE EMBASSY DIRECTLY TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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- 4. FYI: ZANA DID SAY THAT HE HAD ASKED UNIROYAL HEAD-QUARTERS TO ATTEMPT TO INVESTIGATE, THROUGH THE FIRM'S CANADIAN AFFILIATES, THE ACTIVITIES OF KONZ KG PRINCIPALS IN CANADA BUT THAT THIS REQUEST WAS NOT MEANT TO INVOLVE THE USG.
- 5. UNLESS WE RECEIVE FURTHER INFORMATION OR INSTRUCTIONS FROM USDOC, WE WILL ASSUME THAT NO FURTHER ACTION BY THE EMBASSY OR CONSULATE GENERAL STUTTGART IS REQUIRED.
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